

# Hawaiian scientists look for alternatives to get rid of the coquí <sup>[1]</sup>

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Cited from [primerahora.com](http://primerahora.com) <sup>[2]</sup> Hawaii considers the coquíes a plague that threatens their ecosystem and the sleep of its residents. The Big Island has the greater population of coquíes. This amphibian, adored by Puerto Ricans, apparently arrived to Hawaii hidden in plants coming from Puerto Rico or Florida. The similarity of the climate and the habitat between Hawaii and Puerto Rico has created the ideal scene for the small amphibian to reproduce. In fact, it is said that currently more coquíes exist in Hawaii than in Puerto Rico. The multiplication of the coquí has been a problem for Hawaiians since 2001. Authorities there have eliminating them using "caffeine, citric acid, hot water, lime, and traps. Defenders of the coquí have fought this with a public education campaign." "Hawaiian authorities have expressed preoccupation that the coquíes will threaten the survival of some endangered bird species, since they compete for food."

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